

House Resolution No. 3559

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State businesses that admirably broaden and deepen the economic foundations of local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Software To Go was founded in 1983 by Peter Reunert and Gary Hopwood in Clayton, Missouri, in order to sell software to purchasers in the newly developing personal computer market; and

Whereas, now owned and operated by former Director of Operations Joe Balsarotti, Software To Go is celebrating its Twenty-fifth Anniversary during 2008; and

Whereas, Software To Go added hardware inventory to its line of products in 1985 in order to meet customer requests for a "one-stop" shop and added a service department in 1986 to better serve its growing number of business clients; and

Whereas, annual, quarterly, and IT outsourcing plans were introduced in addition to technical consulting options after Software To Go's purchase by now-president Joe Balsarotti in 1992; and

Whereas, no stranger to honors and accolades, Joe Balsarotti won the 2000 Saint Louis Small Business Owner Award for customer service from the Saint Louis Small Business Monthly Magazine, served as chairman of the National Federation of Independent Business Missouri Leadership Council from 2001 to 2003, was invited to the White House 21st Century Technology Summit in 2002, attended the president's 2002 Economic Summit and his 2003 Small Business Roundtable meeting, was appointed to the Federal Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board in 2006, and attended the bill signing ceremony for the 2006 federal tax cut bill; and

Whereas, Software To Go in 2006 also moved its corporate offices to Saint Peters, Missouri:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Software To Go and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of their company's establishment; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Software To Go of Saint Peters, Missouri.

Offered by Speaker Rod Jetton
District No. 156

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3559, adopted July 7, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker